

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In the above-mentioned Office Action claims 7-10, 12, 13, 24, 40, 41, 48, 54, 60, 63 and 70 were objected to as being in improper dependent form and were also objected to as being drawn to an apparatus, claims 37 and 87 were objected to because of informalities, claims 1-3, 5, 7-14, 16-18, 21, 22, 24, 25, 36, 38-43, 46, 49-52, 54, 55, 71, 73 and 74 were rejected as being anticipated by Glowiak, claims 62-64 were rejected as anticipated by Ondiviela, claim 23 was rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak, claim 4 was rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Cook, claims 6, 27, 28 and 37 were rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Ondiviela, claim 19 was rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Rank, claim 20 was rejected as unpatentable for Glowiak in view of Kostiner, claims 29 and 32 were rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Aldenberg, claims 44 and 71-77 were rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Ericson, claims 47 and 48 were rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Owen, et al., claims 59 and 60 were rejected as unpatentable over Cunningham U.S. Patent 3,805,426, claim 61 was rejected as unpatentable over Cunningham in view of Owen, et al., claim 65 was rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Pederson, claim 66 was rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Pederson and further in view of Ericson, claims 67-70 were rejected as unpatentable over Glowiak in view of Drzewiecki, claims 57, 58, 78-86 and 88-161 were allowed, claims 15, 26, 30, 31, 34, 35 and 56 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected based claim, and claim 87 was objected to for containing informalities.

In response thereto, claims 1-3, 5-10, 12-51, 53-56, 59-65 and 67-77 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 4, 11, 52, 66 and 87 have been amended, and new claims 162-194 have been added.

The allowance of claims 57-58, 78-86 and 88-161 is acknowledged with appreciation; and these claims remain in the application.

Allowable dependent claims 15, 26, 30, 34, 35 and 56 have been rewritten as new independent claims 162, 163, 164, 166, 167 and 168, respectively. They are thus in condition for allowance.

Claim 4 has been rewritten to be in independent format. Referring to the last paragraph of the claim, the prior art does not teach the numerals which are positioned at ends of the horizontal lines and staggered relative to adjacent numerals denoting a positioning for a different

number of index tabs.

Claim 11 has been rewritten to be in independent format and the spelling of "releasably" corrected. Referring to the last paragraph of the claim, the prior art does not disclose adhesive on a releasably attachable alignment tool, the adhesive allowing the tool to adhere to the document.

Claim 52 has been rewritten to be in independent format. It is patentable for reasons similar to those stated for claim 11.

Claim 66 has been rewritten to be in independent format. It includes a package holding a sheet having an alignment tool positioned thereon, a computer-readable medium, an indexing material and a plurality of index tabs. The prior art does not disclose this.

New independent claim 169 includes a "... means for releasably positioning ..." and "indicia means ... for identifying ..." as set forth therein. This is not disclosed in the prior art.

New independent claim 183 includes "... indicia means ... for identifying ... and for identifying ...", and "said indicia means includes a first set of indicia ... and a different second set of indicia ..." as set forth therein. This is not disclosed in the prior art.

New independent claims 188 and 190 include a sheet having a plurality of ... tools ... removable therefrom ... indicia means for identifying ..." as set forth therein. Claim 188 includes weakened separation lines. And claim 190 includes the "indicia means includes a first set of indicia ... and a second set of indicia ..." These are not disclosed in the prior art.

New independent claim 195 includes the indicia means element as set forth in the final paragraph. This is not disclosed in the prior art.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the claims in the application patentably distinguish over the cited and applied references and are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' undersigned counsel at (213) 689-5142 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

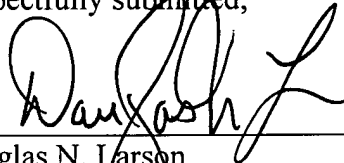
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fees be associated with an extension of time or if an additional extension of time is needed,  
Applicants respectfully request that this paper be considered a petition therefor.

Respectfully submitted,



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